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217 Underutilized State Vehicles Up for Auction March 14

BATON ROUGE — The Louisiana Property Assistance Agency will sell 217 underutilized state vehicles at its auction March 14. The vehicles range from 1988 to 2012 models, and include two-and four-door passenger cars, small trucks and vans, as well as heavy trucks. The vehicles are considered underutilized because they were not driven more than 15,000 miles in the previous year. Examples include a 2006 Jeep Liberty, a 2010 Chevrolet Tahoe and a 2012 Ford Fusion.

"Given the amount of vehicles available, and people getting back their tax refunds this time of year, we're expecting a lot of interest in this auction and a larger than normal crowd," said Steve Bice, director of the LPAA. "We're encouraging anyone interested to register early and come out to inspect the vehicles before the auction."

The auction begins at 8 a.m., while bidding on the underutilized vehicles begins at 10 a.m. To avoid long lines, bidders can register before the auction during business hours at the LPAA office, 1059 Brickyard Lane, which is off of South Boulevard in downtown Baton Rouge between St. Philip Street and River Road. Bidders need to bring a valid driver's license – businesses also need a tax identification number – and should register under the name the car title will be in.

There are no minimum bids. Winning bids can be paid with cash, check or a credit card. A five percent processing fee for credit cards and checks will be applied. However, those planning to pay with a check can visit <u>Brown's Auction website</u> to find out how to avoid the processing fee. Title services will be offered at no additional charge, and two notaries public will be on site to assist with the sales and title transfers.

The vehicles will be available for inspection from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 11 through Friday, March 13 at the Brickyard Lane facility, as well as from 7 to 9:15 a.m. the morning of the auction. A valid driver's license will be required to get keys to the cars and crank them; test driving is not allowed due to insurance reasons.

The auction will also include computers, printers, file cabinets and various pieces of office furniture and decorations. All of the items up for sale can be viewed at http://www.doa.louisiana.gov/lpaa/auction listing.htm.